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SITTIN ON GO STRIKES AT 24-1 FOR IROQUOIS VICTORY; EARNS 10 POINTS TOWARD 2021 KENTUCKY DERBY

LOUISVILLE, KY (Saturday, Sept. 5, 2020) – **Albaugh Family Stables' Sittin On Go** roared past **Midnight Bourbon** at the sixteenth pole en route to a 2 ½-length victory in the 39th running of the \$200,000 Iroquois Presented by Ford (GIII) for 2-year-olds.

Trained by **Dale Romans** and ridden by **Corey Lanerie**, Sittin On Go covered the mile on a fast main track in 1:35.

In addition to picking up 10 points toward the 2021 Kentucky Derby, the winner also earned a fees-paid berth into the \$2 million Breeders' Cup Juvenile (GI) at Keeneland on Nov. 6.

Favored **Therideofalifetime** led the field of 10 through uncontested fractions of :23.04, :45.64 and 1:10. At the top of the lane, **Midnight Bourbon** made the first move at Therideofalifetime and opened a daylight advantage that evaporated at the sixteenth pole.

The victory, the second in two starts for Sittin On Go, was worth \$117,800 and boosted Sittin On Go's earnings to \$145,520.

Sittin On Go is a Kentucky-bred son of **Brody's Cause** out of the **More Than Ready** mare **Set'n On Ready**.

Sittin On Go returned \$50, \$18.60 and \$9. Midnight Bourbon, ridden by **Gerardo Corrales**, returned \$6 and \$4 and finished 1 ¾ lengths in front of **Super Stock** who paid \$5.20 to show under **Ricardo Santana Jr.**

It was another 5 ¼ lengths back to Therideofalifetime who was followed in order by **Pico d'Oro**, **Notary**, **Ultimate Badger**, **Crazy Shot**, **Drop Anchor** and **Belafonte**.

IROQUOIS QUOTES

Corey Lanerie (winning rider, Sittin On Go) – “He broke really good and put me right where I thought he would be after watching his replay from Ellis Park. Down the backside, he was trying to get out on me. I don't know why, but he settled in real nice. I was actually going to follow Dale's (Romans) other horse (Ultimate Badger), but I had so much horse, I went to the outside and let him come on. Watching the races, it looked like the outside is the best place to be. I didn't want any excuses for getting him stopped. I put him in the clear and he was just like his daddy (stakes winner Brody's Cause).”

Dale Romans (winning trainer, Sittin On Go) -- “We're having ourselves a great weekend. This horse reminds us a lot of his father (Brody's Cause). We were pretty confident he'd be able to stretch out from his training and this race set up perfectly for us. We're on to the Breeders' Cup.”

Dennis Albaugh (winning owner, Sittin On Go): “Man, to pick up the Pocahontas (with Girl Daddy on Thursday) and then follow it up with the Iroquois two days later is unreal. We couldn't be happier. That's why we're in the racing business. That horse was unbelievable coming around the turn. I was like, ‘Man, he's moving.’”

Steve Asmussen (trainer of Midnight Bourbon and Super Stock) -- “Both of them are solid colts, good finishing times. Just another step in the development of 2-year-olds that we hope end as good 3-year-olds. Super Stock, he kind of stumbled just a tad away from there. He wasn't exactly where we expected him to be early but I thought he adjusted and ran a solid race considering. And Midnight Bourbon ran really well. I thought he should have won from the position he was in but he was back on short rest and has room to improve.”

Florent Geroux (rider, Therideofalifetime, fourth as favorite) – “Disappointed. He broke sharp and made the lead very easily. He did not finish for some reason. I don't know if it was too far for him or if it was too soon after the Saratoga race.”

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